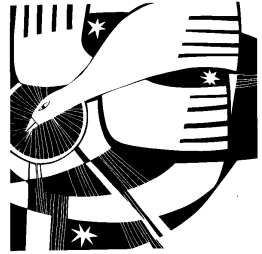




THE PARISH OF CHINGFORD

SS PETER AND PAUL WITH ALL SAINTS'

PEWS NEWS
for Sunday 24 May 2026
Pentecost



The Collect

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful
people
by sending to them the light of your
Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy
comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus
our Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift
of faith,
revive your Church with the breath
of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

8.00 am Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church

10.00 am Holy Eucharist at All Saints Church

Servers
Processional hymn 503
OT Reading Acts 2. 1-21 Read by
NT Reading 1 Corinthians 12.3b-13 Read by
Gradual hymn 454
Gospel John 20. 19-23
Sermon *Canon Rodney Matthews*
Intercessions *led by Jan*
Hymn 60
(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion hymn The King is among us - 483
Final Hymn Lord the light (Shine Jesus Shine) - 317

10.00 am Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church

Servers Teresa, Sue & Cynthia
Setting *Willian in D*
Processional hymn 137
OT Reading Acts 2. 1-21 *Read by Neelam Khilljee*
NT Reading 1 Corinthians 12. 3b-13 *Read by Margaret Vincent*
Gospel John 20. 19-23
Sermon *The Rector*
Intercessions led by Chizitere Orisakwe, Teresa Law and
Revd Elizabeth Price.
Offertory 409
(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion Come holy ghost - *Attwood*
Final Hymn 140
Organ Music Fanfare - *Matthias*

6.30 pm Said Evening prayer is cancelled at Ss Peter & Pauls church

Today's Readings for the Eucharist

Acts 2. 1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Psalms 104. 26-36, 37b

○ Lord, how manifold are your works! ♦

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the sea, spread far and wide, ♦

and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan ♦

which you have made to play in the deep.

All of these look to you ♦

to give them their food in due season.

When you give it them, they gather it; ♦
you open your hand and they are filled with good.

When you hide your face they are troubled; ♦
when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created, ♦
and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; ♦
may the Lord rejoice in his works;

He looks on the earth and it trembles; ♦
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; ♦
I will make music to my God while I have my being.

So shall my song please him ♦
while I rejoice in the Lord.

Alleluia.

I Corinthians 12. 3b-13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

John 20. 19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to

them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

This week in the Parish Diary

Morning Prayer is usually said (but subject to change at short notice) at:

8.30am Monday *in the Parish church*

9.00am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday *in the Parish Church* and

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated:

10.00am on Wednesdays *at All Saints'*

10.00am on Thursdays *at Ss Peter & Paul's Church*

Wednesday 27th May

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

10.45 am Coffee and Bible Study *at All Saints Church Hall*

Sunday 31st May. Trinity Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 40.12-17,27-end; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13.11-end; Matthew 28.16-20

8.00 am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

Preacher: *Mother Marilyn*

Hymns: 212, 125, 427, 335, 514

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Preacher: *The Rector*

Setting: *Leighton* in D

Communion: *The praise of the Trinity - Wills*

Hymns: 146, 159, 451, 336.

6.30 pm Evensong *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Preacher: *Mrs Diana Kennedy*

Responses: *Tallis*

Canticles: *Sheppard* First Service

Anthem: *O Domine Deus - Jeffries*

Organ music: *Overture from Baroque Suite – Seth Bingham*

For Your Devotions this Week

Monday	Luke 9. 18-27
Tuesday	Luke 9. 28-36
Wednesday	Luke 9. 37-50
Thursday	Luke 9. 51-end
Friday	Luke 10. 1-16
Saturday	Luke 10. 17-24

Please pray for:

Jill Bell, David Drapper, Tom Raven, Alison Goulter, Enid Day, Linda Lines, Claire Coan, Alexander Weston, Chris White, Geraldine Cleveland, Derek Boulind, Alice Melemendjian, Bruno, Ewa, Elisabeth Abbott, Jo Huber, Clare Daniel, Rosie Grove (11 yrs), Liz Jewett

We also pray for those who have died:

George Spicer, Yvonne Gibbons, Darren Wilkins

Year's mind this week:

Eleanor Wynn

Supporting the work of Chingford Parish



It is now possible to support the work and ministry of Chingford Parish by electronic giving, through the "Give A Little" Scheme. Visit this website or use this QR code:

<https://bit.ly/ChingfordGiving>

PEWS NEWS

Many Voices, One Spirit – The 10am service in the Parish Church on Pentecost Sunday will be multi-lingual with prayers and readings in languages other than English. This is to reflect the account in Acts Chapter 2 when the Holy Spirit empowered the Apostles to communicate the Good News to diverse peoples and cultures in their own languages. We too – in our day – are inspired (literally ‘breathed upon or into’) by the Spirit of God and commissioned to step across divides, make connections and nurture community.

Receiving Communion or a Blessing. This is a reminder about Holy communion or Blessing. If you are baptized or confirmed and wish to receive communion, please come to the altar rail & hold your hands crossed palms upwards. If you wish to have Gluten free wafers (we have these separate for people who require gluten free) please hold your hands crossed palms downwards so that the priest will know without you asking.

If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come to the altar rail & have your arms at your sides head bowed.

Sermons Online – Audio recordings of the Rector’s sermons are available on the parish YouTube channel at: www.youtube.com/@parishofchingford

<https://parishofchingford.org.uk/>: if you haven’t yet seen our redesigned website, please take a look! It contains lots of information and gives a pretty good impression of what goes on in our Parish. Huge thanks to Parish IT Administrator Sam Kerr for the work on this.

Parish Magazine. The magazine is out for May. Please take one and remember to pay £1 into the money box on the wall behind the magazines or by the card machine. If you would like to set up a subscription for the magazine, please email Christine magine@parishofchingford.org.uk

The Chingford Cemetery Cafe will take place on Friday 29th May at 2pm at the Old Church. Come and join us for tea and cake and a talk by Gary on the fascinating life of Nemone Lethbridge, lawyer for the Kray twins who are buried in the cemetery, and lifelong friend of Gary.

Preparation for First Communion. Mother Marilyn will be leading preparation for First Communion course for children aged 6/ 7 years old upwards. Dates will be 24th May and taking first communion on 21st June. Time

will be 11.45am at the Parish church. If you are not sure, please just come and see on 10th May at 11.45am.

Please contact Kirsty at office@parishofchingford.org.uk if you wish your child to participate in this course.

The Lizzie Boot Sale – Find hidden treasures and amazing bargains – clothes, books, home decor, toys and more – at the Queen Elizabeth, 95 Forest Side, E4 6BA on Saturday 30 May from 10am. All proceeds to Social Bite, a charity working to end homelessness.

Christmas bazaar at the Parish church. I can't believe we're nearly in the middle of the year already, so it's time to start thinking about the Christmas Bazaar! There will be a brief meeting after the 10.00am service at the Parish Church on the 31st May to make some initial plans. Anyone who is (even slightly) interested would be very welcome to pop along. I look forward to seeing you all there. Claire C

Eco Church meeting. There will be a meeting of the All Saints Eco Church group after service on Sunday 31 May. The main topics will be a briefing on our Nature Count event in June and a discussion on what to do next to get the Silver Award. All welcome.

Fundraising Litter pick. I am organising a sponsored fundraising litter pick on Sunday June 7th. We will be meeting at the car park at Chingford plains at 12pm and we'll be litter picking this area of Epping Forest.

I would love for as many of you as possible to join us (adults and children - all are welcome). All money raised will go directly to the Chingford Parish Church Choir. Plus, by organising this community event we qualify for a grant from the Jack Petchey Environmental Award Scheme, and I hope to use the award money towards leaf mulch bins and vegetable beds for the local community to plant up in the church grounds.

If you can't take part but would like to donate, please donate to Chingford Parish Church Choir

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Help the Forest, support our amazing choir and our local community too. Last year the choir benefitted from almost £300 of sponsorship money raised let's see if we can beat that record. As you know, all the funds are ploughed straight back into helping the choir to continue to thrive!

Please sign up by the end of May to participate the sign-up form is in the Vestry. Thank you, Henry Huggins

St John's Ambulance community first aid course Walthamstow.

Margaret Vincent will be completing a first aid course at East Avenue E17 9NG. Booking is through sja.org.uk Community First Aid Courses. On Saturday 13th June 2026 1.30pm. The cost is £25 + VAT, so £30. If you would like to attend this course, please book online and let Margaret know so you can possibly join her. domursidiva@gmail.com

The Old Church social Club. We meet on the 1st and the 3rd Thursday' of each month in the Hall from 1pm until 3pm. The cost of this is only £3 including refreshments. A raffle is also held and there is also entertainment which may include a speaker or a singer or a quiz or Bingo We are a friendly mixed group of people who loves getting together for an afternoon of fun. New members are also welcome to join us so why not come along and have a good time, make friends and you may even see people you already know. Contact Karon Fordham on 07956 236 517 if you require any further information.

Minutes of PCC meetings will be made more easily available for all to see from now on. I will leave a copy of the minutes most recently agreed by the PCC at the entrance to both churches. Hard copies of all meetings are stored in the office and online and are available to see on request. If you have any questions, feel free to email me at anne.clayden@parishofchingford.org.uk

Organ Scholarship Appeal. We welcome any donations towards the annual cost of funding our Organ Scholarship. It has been hugely successful having a good Organ Scholar assisting with our music at both the PC and OC, which provides the occupant of the post with a really worthwhile experience and pathway into the world of professional music. We are pleased to have been able to re-appoint Luke for a second year and look forward to all his continued help. The amount needed is again £5500.00 for the year and we are already well on the way, so a huge thanks to all our annual and one-off contributors! Any amount given, no matter how small, is really helpful and appreciated. If you are able to contribute towards the appeal at any time this year, it can be paid by bank transfer to Chingford parish church parochial church council, 20-52-74, a/c 40235172. Please make sure the reference is marked Organ Scholarship. Alternatively hand any donations to the Churchwardens, stewards or Director of Music. Thank you.

Cornerstone: Helping Our Church Grow in Generosity

Cornerstone is a free Church of England tool that helps churches understand their finances and strengthen giving. It provides:

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- Insights – a clear picture of our church’s financial health, trends over time and how we compare with similar churches, to help us see our strengths and where we can grow.
 - Pathways – nearly 50 simple, step-by-step actions, including templates, videos and guidance to help us make small and large improvements (at our own pace), to grow generosity and support volunteers.
 - Grants Database – access to over 650 grants tailored for churches, for buildings, heritage and repairs, community projects and mission and ministry.

We’re invited to join a Cornerstone Workshop (2.5 hours), where a small team from our church can learn how to use the tool, review our strengths, and leave with a practical action plan. Other churches describe the workshop as “enlightening”, “encouraging”, and “a real step change”.

We’re looking for 2-4 volunteers to be part of that small team to join a Cornerstone Workshop. You don’t need to be part of the PCC or have a role within the church already. If you care about the future of our church and want to help us grow in generosity and financial confidence, this is a great opportunity. No expertise is needed, just a willing heart and a desire to make a difference. Please see

<https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads/files/Cornerstone-Project-Pack.pdf> for more information and speak to Jacqui Neophytou.

Officers of the PCC needed! We are in need of the following officers for the PCC: Treasurer and Electoral Roll Officer. If you are interested in finding out about any of these roles, do have a word with a member of the clergy or a churchwarden or the current PCC Secretary and Electoral Roll Officer, Anne Clayden or email her at anne.clayden@parishofchingford.org.uk

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Safeguarding

The Parish of Chingford is wholly committed to the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy for children, young people & adults. If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from our Parish Safeguarding Officer, Teresa Law, who can be contacted on 07821 838598 or via safeguarding@parishofchingford.org.uk.